DRYCLEANING RESTORATION CONTRACTORS

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) will be offering a training and information session for contractors certified under the Drycleaning Restoration program. This training and information session will be held on Monday, May 3, 2010 from 1:30pm – 4:30pm at DHEC's offices at 8911 Farrow Road, Columbia, S.C. The purpose of this session will be to discuss:

- investigation strategies and screening methods to identify contamination related to drycleaning facilities,
- the preferred approach to conducting Initial and Secondary Assessments at these facilities,
- a review of recent procurement code changes, and
- upcoming plans to procure state-lead contractors for assessment and remediation.

DHEC certifies contractors to perform Initial and Secondary contamination assessments on behalf of drycleaning facilities that are registered under the S.C. Drycleaning Facility Restoration Trust Fund. The objective of these assessments is to determine the presence or absence of drycleaning related contamination in the environment at these facilities. DHEC plans to direct approximately 40 Initial Assessments, and approximately 80 Secondary Assessments at drycleaning facilities over the next twelve months.

In order to become certified to perform this work, qualified environmental contractors must meet the appropriate minimum standards for a Class I or Class II Contractor as detailed in R.61-33 Subpart F, and submit a completed <u>Contractor Application</u> and documentation of insurance. Additional information can be found on the <u>Drycleaning Restoration Program's web page</u>. Certification is not required to attend the session, but is required prior to performing field work under this program.

All environmental contractors are encouraged to attend. Please contact Tim Hornosky at (803) 896-4017, or hornostr@dhec.sc.gov to register for this session, or if you have questions relating to this announcement.